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**ENVIRONMENT INFORMATION**

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**5.1 INTRODUCTION**

This section presents a description of the affected environment and potential environmental consequences that are associated with the MPP, along with measures to mitigate or avoid adverse impacts. Supporting information to determine compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, regulations and standards is included within the discussion and further detailed for each resource in Section 7.0.

The analyses presented in this section are based on the following:

- Details of the proposed project as presented in Sections 3 and 4
- Consideration of the CEC regulations, including regulations applicable to the expedited processing of projects
- Consideration of CEC staff input.

The environmental assessments presented in this section are meant to comply with CEC requirements, including those of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In general each section follows the same format of presenting the affected environment and existing site conditions, followed by the environmental consequences of the proposed project with measures proposed to mitigate significant adverse impacts.